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Lands resumed in South Kanara owing to the assignee's failure to pay the assessment.

* 527 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: With reference to the answer to my question No. 109 answered on 4th September 1928, will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to lay on the table of the House the report he has received from South Kanara regarding the lands resumed year after year on account of the assignee's failure to pay the assessment?

A.—The report has not been received.

Minor Irrigation

Berm cutting in Cuddapah district.

* 528 Q.—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state, in view of the replies given to question No. 8 on 3rd September 1928 regarding the berm cutting in Cuddapah district—

(*a*) whether the reports from the Board of Revenue and the Chief Engineer have been received;

(*b*) if so, what they are; and

(*c*) what action the Government propose to take on these reports?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*c*) The Board's report has been received and is under the consideration of the Government. The question of placing the report on the Editors' Table will be considered. The Chief Engineer's report has not yet been received.

Action taken regarding kudimaramat in Cumbum and Markapur taluks.

* 529 Q.—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the villages in the Cumbum and Markapur taluks of the Kurnool district in which action was taken regarding kudimaramat under the Compulsory Labour Act during the years 1927–28 and 1928–29 up to date;

(*b*) the works in regard to which such action was taken;

(*c*) the total water-rate payable annually upon such works;

(*d*) the amount levied in each case for the kudimaramat work; and

(*e*) the kind of work executed or proposed to be executed by the Revenue Department?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*e*) The Government regret that there is no register or return from which the particulars asked could be readily posted.

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao:—"May I know whether these details cannot be got?"

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks:—"It is possible to get them by examining various records. But unless there was some object in doing that, I should hesitate to issue orders for such a laborious enquiry."

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao:—"In view of the fact that I have been very often urging the hardships that the ryots undergo under this particular Act of kudimaramat, may I know if the hon. the Revenue Member will be pleased to get me these figures?"

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks:—"I will see if it can be compiled without much trouble, and if it could be, I will have it done."